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Bamboo based Entrepreneurship
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has prepared any plan to promote bamboo based entrepreneurship and its trade;
(b) if so, the details thereof;
(c) whether the Government has made efforts to increase co-ordination in regard to international demand and consumption of bamboo production with banking institutions, designers and bamboo entrepreneurs; and
(d) if so, the details thereof and the achievements made so for in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

(SHRI PRAKASH JAVADEKAR)

(a) &(b) Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare is implementing a Centrally Sponsored Scheme called National Bamboo Mission (NBM) since 2006-2007 in all the States except Haryana. This Mission has been renamed as National Agroforestry & \Bamboo Mission (NABM) w.e.f. 6th July, 2015 of which Bamboo is an integral part. The objectives of the NABM are to, promote growth in bamboo sector through regional strategies based on geographic conditions in different regions of the country except Haryana. It is also to increase the area under bamboo with suitable species to enhance yield, promote marketing of bamboo and bamboo-based handicrafts, establish convergence and synergy among stakeholders for development of bamboo, promote, develop and disseminate technologies through a seamless blend of traditional wisdom and modern scientific knowledge and generate employment opportunities for skilled and unskilled persons, especially unemployed youth.

(c) & (d)The Global Bamboo Summit was held at Indore, Madhya Pradesh during 8-10 April, 2016. This was jointly organized by National Agroforestry and Bamboo Mission (NABM), New Delhi, Indian Federation of Green Energy (IFGE) and Madhya Pradesh State Bamboo Mission (MPSBM). The theme of the summit was "Bamboo for sustainable development" with prime objective of soliciting global cooperation in bamboo sector for making bamboo as a change agent for poverty alleviation and climate change.

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